

Social Studies Course Descriptions

- ECN 100 Introduction to Economics 3 credits**
An introduction to economic way of thinking covering a survey of micro and macro economics including basic data sources.
- ECN 295 Microeconomic Principles 3 credits**
Study of the scope and method of economics. The course focuses on: the allocation of resources and economic efficiency in production, demand and supply in consumption, pricing system, competition and monopoly, the pricing of factor services, and the distribution of income.
- ECN 296 Macroeconomic Principles 3 credits**
Study of the scope and method of economics. Course topics include: measures and determinants of the level of aggregate income and demand, inflation, employment, economic development; monetary institutions and money supply, monetary policy; taxes, government borrowing; expenditures, fiscal policy, international trade and alternative systems of economic organization.
- ECN 305 Money and the Financial System 3 credits**
Introduction to international financial system, balance of payments, exchange of rates and external currency markets. Course topics include: the nature and economic role of money and credit, financial intermediation and its control by monetary authority, financial markets, institutions and instruments, interest rate theory, level and term structure, yield curve strategies, control of monetary aggregates and their relationship to employment and prices, and controversies in monetary policy.
- ECN 344 International Economics 3 credits**
A survey course of international trade and employment, poverty and local finance; transportation, housing and land use; interactions and opportunity cost of goods; problems and solution in terms of labor markets; the price system; multipliers, and industrial and occupational mix; interrelationships of physical planning and financial and socioeconomic constraints; patterns of governmental support for urban renewal and development.
- GEO 211 World Regional Geography 3 credits**
Introduces the more modern concepts in and of regional geography and the importance of geography as an influence on world events. The world will be studied as regions and the natural, political and economic reasons and interactions making these regions viable entities. Care is taken to study examples of western, eastern and third world regions.
- GEO 212 Geography of Michigan 3 credits**
A study of the physical environment and the economics, cultural, political and historical geography of Michigan.
- HIS 160 Comparative Civilizations 3 credits**
An introduction to history through the comparative study of civilizations. An investigation of the period from 1500 to the present and the global interaction of civilizations since the beginnings of western European exploration and expansion.
- HIS 200 The Ancient Mediterranean World 3 credits**
An examination of the history and culture of antiquity, with special emphasis on the development and historical significance of Greece and Rome. The readings are primary sources, such as works of literature, history, and philosophy. The evidence of art and archaeology is also considered.
- HIS 230 Europe in the 19th and 20th Centuries 3 credits**
The major social, political, economic, cultural and intellectual developments in European history from the French Revolution to the present. Some attention will be paid to European colonialism and imperialism during this period.

